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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Sir:

An Office Action was mailed in the above-captioned application on October 4, 2002. In such Office Action claims 1-63 were pending. All claims were rejected. This Amendment and Remarks document is submitted in response to said Office Action.

AMENDMENT

Please enter the following amendments into the application:

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In the claims:

Cancel claims 1, 9, 20-28, 46, 48, and 53-58. Replace the claims of record 6, 10, 12 and 15 with the amended versions below. A marked-up version of the amended claims is provided on separate sheets following the remarks.

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(twice amended) A method for extracting a plurality of analytes from a sample, 6. comprising the steps of:

providing a plurality of extraction probes capable of adsorbing analytes, wherein each extraction probe comprises a solid support and a combinatorially-derived